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	Stephen A. Thomas et al.	) Art Unit: 2633	
Serial No	o. 10/045,652	) Examiner: A. Bello	
Fil <b>ed</b> :	October 26, 2001	) Confirmation No.: 109	7
For:	Method and System for Processing Downstream Packets of an Optical Network	) }	

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 March 18, 2005

The above-identified Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Official Action dated November 18, 2004, to expire March 18, 2005.

Please charge \$60.00 for the extension of time and any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 11-0980. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0980 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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